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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL TRAVEL BY LAWRENCE THERIOT, ITA/BEWT

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1. APPOINTMENT SET AT FCO WITH M. CONNOR, MEXICO AND CARIBBEAN DEPT, FOR 3:00 P.M., MAY 10. AS CONNOR HAS BEEN ON CUBAN DESK FOR ONLY 2-3 WEEKS, HE PROBABLY WILL INTRODUCE OTHER OFFICIALS TO MEETING.
2. PETER PACKHAM EXPECTS THERIOT AT LONDON AND CONTINENTAL BANKERS LTD AT 3:00 P.M. ON MAY 11. ONE OF HIS MANAGING-DIRECTORS PROBABLY WILL JOIN MEETING. PACKHAM WILL PHONE US MAY 2 CONCERNING HIS EFFORTS TO SET UP ADDITIONAL MEETING WITH OTHER UK BANKERS; HOWEVER, HE HAS POINTED OUT THAT CUBAN LOANS ARE SUBJECT MANY BANKERS ARE RELUCTANT TO DISCUSS. (IN SETTING UP MEETINGS, EMBASSY IS MAKING IT CLEAR TO UK HOSTS THAT THERIOT IS NOT FROM A REGULATORY BODY.)
3. WE ARE PROCEEDING ON BASIS THAT VISITOR WILL BE TIED UP WITH CUBAN OFFICIALS DURING MORNING OF MAY 10 AND 11.

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4. WOULD THERIOT OBJECT TO EMBOFF ACCOMPANYING HIM ON ONE OR MORE OF THESE VISITS? ALSO, WOULD VISITOR BE INTERESTED IN MEETING WITH NON-BANKING FIRMS DOING BUSINESS WITH OR ON BEHALF OF CUBA?

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